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Joshua Tree Visitor Center Connects to Downtown Businesses

JOSHUA TREE- December 19, 2014: Visitors to Joshua Tree National Park now enjoy a safe, handicap accessible pathway to the Downtown Joshua Tree businesses. Supervisor Ramos was joined yesterday by the County Department of Public Works, the JTNP Rangers and the Joshua Tree Chamber of Commerce for the ribbon cutting ceremony to dedicate the addition of new sidewalks connecting these two tourist hubs.

This new sidewalk will guide tourists to the Joshua Tree Visitor Center. The project is about 275 feet long and runs from State Highway 62 to the Joshua Tree National Park Visitor Center entrance. The main purpose of the project was to make safe and clear pedestrian access to and from these two points.

The project was funded by discretionary General Funds allocated by the Board of Supervisors. The work consisted of constructing concrete sidewalks, ADA ramps, re-constructing driveways and relocating signs. The cost of the project was \$75,000 and the County Department of Public Works took one and a half weeks to complete the work.

"While the addition of these sidewalks may seem like a small accomplishment, we know its impacts will be great for the small business community of Joshua Tree as well as for the many visitors to the Joshua Tree National Park", Supervisor Ramos stated.

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